

Springerville Town Council
Minutes
May 17, 2006

Present: Mayor Kay Dyson, Vice Mayor Mary Nedrow, Pete Hunt and Phelps Wilkins

Absent: Mark Baca excused

Staff: Scott Garms town manager, Val Cordova town clerk, Tim Shaffery and Eduardo Coronado
TBS LAW P.C., Steve West, Larisa Bogardus, Max Sadler, Tom Malone and James Hamblin.

1. Mayor Dyson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Wilkins, Invocation by Councilman Hunt.
3. Public Participation: Mr. Kevin Burk addressed the council with a complaint regarding someone building a house on his ditch easement on Lester Lane. He was asked to leave the information with either Larisa or Tom Malone.

Mayor Dyson welcomed and introduced Ms. Audra Sloane the new chamber director. She then presented Kay Wilkins with a Certificate of Appreciation in recognition for her valuable contribution on the Planning and Zoning Commission.

4. Manager, Council and Chamber Reports:

Mayor Dyson reported she attended the Anti-Meth coalition meeting today who are looking for more volunteers and elected officials from other towns. She also announced that there is a benefit for Raymond Castillo who previously served on our town council and encouraged everyone to attend.

Mr. Garms reported that he, Larisa and Tom attended a seminar on Economic Impact study conducted by Mr. Lay Gibson from the U. of A. in Show Low. Dr. Gibson revealed how his statistics impacts the economic growth of all the communities. Mr. Garms informed the council that he had a complete copy of the study for anyone who would like a copy.

5. Consent Agenda:

- a. Minutes of May 3, 2006
- b. Claims against the Town; accounts payable claims

Mr. Garms explained that 5b. consent agenda item is the accounts payable register but said he would change the wording to "ratifying the accounts payable" at the request of the council. He noted that this item was not litigation just the accounts payables register.

Mary Nedrow/Phelps Wilkins motion to approve the consent items 5a and 5B as presented.

Vote:	Ayes:	Kay Dyson
		Mary Nedrow
		Pete Hunt
		Phelps Wilkins

6. Oath of Office Ceremony:

Mayor Kay Dyson, Mary Nedrow and newly elected Councilmember Phelps Wilkins were all sworn into office by the town clerk.

7. Selection of Vice-Mayor:

Pete Hunt/Phelps Wilkins motion to designate Mary Nedrow as Vice Mayor with a term ending June 2008.

Vote:	Ayes:	Kay Dyson
		Mary Nedrow
		Pete Hunt
		Phelps Wilkins

8. Fire Restriction Proclamation: Discussion and action regarding the issuance of an emergency proclamation to implement fire restrictions within the Town of Springerville.

Mr. Garms advised the council that they would advertise this in as many places as possible.

A concern was expressed by the council for not allowing the use of charcoal burning grills. They asked that the wording in the proclamation be changed to allow the use of charcoal grills.

Mr. Garms advised the council that they could replace the wording in number 1 to state "other than charcoal" burning devices.

Phelps Wilkins/Mary Nedrow motion to sign the proclamation to issue fire restrictions and change the wording to allow charcoal and barbeque pits.

Vote:	Ayes:	Kay Dyson
		Mary Nedrow
		Pete Hunt
		Phelps Wilkins

9. Town of Springerville Hazard Mitigation Plan (Resolution # 2006-R009).

- a. Public meeting to review the hazard mitigation plan and receive public comment.

Ms. Bogardus explained that the town is mandated through Homeland Security through FEMA to adopt a hazard mitigation plan for emergency disaster preparedness in order to be eligible for federal and state assistance in the event of a disaster. The state Emergency Planning Division created a model distributed to counties, paid for by state and federal funds for the planning process and with the assistance of a consultant it was tailored to fit each community.

- b. Resolution 2006-R009 adopting the Town of Springerville Hazard Mitigation Plan.

A Resolution of the Town Council for the Town of Springerville, Arizona adopting the "Town of Springerville Hazard Mitigation Plan." Read by Mayor Dyson.

Mary Nedrow/Phelps Wilkins motion to adopt resolution 2006-R009 adopting the "Town of Springerville Hazard Mitigation Plan".

Vote:	Ayes:	Kay Dyson
		Mary Nedrow
		Pete Hunt
		Phelps Wilkins

10. Water Issues: Discussion and action regarding issues concerning drought preparedness, water conservation and water supply issues.

Mr. Garms reported that this is an issue that is constantly being worked on throughout the year. There is legislation mandating that we create a water plan, a drought preparedness plan, and a conservation plan. The department of water resources is giving us technical assistance to develop these plans. He noted that we have difficulty with water each year but made it clear that we are not short on water. We produce enough water but we would like to ask citizens to take voluntary conservation measures. This is not to restrict water but to even out the water usage. This would avoid everyone watering at one time and depleting our sources. We are asking the council's approval to ask for voluntary compliance of the citizens. He also advised the council that this is not an enforceable measure and that our public works director is compiling information to present to them during the budget.

He advised the council that part of the planning process will include doing a hydrology study and we would like to do it jointly with the town of Eagar to share the costs. He further advised that the Department of Water Resources is overseeing the process. Part of Legislation includes our water rates and overseeing the process which we have to send to AZ Corporation Commission. Their aim is to charge enough for water to encourage the efficient use of water or discourage the use.

Pete Hunt/Mary Nedrow motion to give staff direction to request voluntary measures for public use of water.

Vote:	Ayes:	Kay Dyson
		Mary Nedrow
		Pete Hunt
		Phelps Wilkins

11. Adjournment:

Mary Nedrow/Pete Hunt motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

Vote:	Ayes:	Kay Dyson
		Mary Nedrow
		Pete Hunt
		Phelps Wilkins

Kay Dyson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Town Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Springerville Town Council in regular session on Wednesday, May 17, 2006. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and quorum was present.

Dated this 19th day of May 2006

Town Clerk